# LICENSES AND CONSUMER SERVICES LICENSE INSPECTOR'S REPORT

License Numbers: L313-50010

Police File Number: 13335

**Date of Application:** October 1, 2012

**Inspector:** Michele Harvet, 612-673-5484

Applicant/Legal Entity: Northgate Brewing, LLC

**DBA/Trade Name:** Northgate Brewing

Complete Address: 3134 California Street NE, #122, Minneapolis, MN 55418

**License Requested:** Off-Sale Malt Liquor Growler

Current Licenses: None

**Purpose of Application:** This brewery wants to obtain a new Growler license to sell

the beer they brew directly to the public for consumption off

of the licensed premises.

Responsible person within 75 miles of Minneapolis City Hall: Khristopher Adam Sjogren

Public Hearing Requirement: Required

**License Conditions:** None at this time

Neighborhood/Ward: Marshall Terrace / 1

**Zoning:** I2 – This is a permitted use in the Medium Industrial

District.

**5 acre requirement:** Met

Off-Street Parking: The Office of the Zoning Administrator has determined that

four spaces are required to be provided on site. This has

been met.

Churches or schools within 300 feet of the proposed premises: None

Fire Occupancy: Less than 50

Food Service Requirement: None

**Hours of operation proposed:** Wednesday through Saturday 12:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.

**Metropolitan Council Service Availability Charges:** A new SAC determination states that this project has zero units to be charged.

# **HISTORY OF LOCATION**

This location has not held a business license prior to this point. It has been used in an industrial manner prior to this.

## **APPLICANT**

The applicant is Northgate Brewing, LLC, a Minnesota company formed on February 3, 2012, under Chapter 322B (File Number 465286900020), having the required restriction on the transfer of shares and has the following owners and members:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Shares</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Todd Slininger	CEO	300,000A	30
Khristopher <b>Adam</b> Sjogren	CFO	300,000A	30
Thomas Carruthers	Head Brewer	210,000A	21
John/Marcia Lundsford	Investor	4,000B	0.4
Josh Ide	Investor	5,000B	0.5
Dean Natto	Investor	5,000B	0.5
Susan Anderson	Investor	6,000B	0.6
Graham Jensen	Investor	10,000B	1
Will Oudavanh	Investor	10,000B	1
Fred/Sharon Slininger	Investor	10,000B	1
BJ/Sharon Meyerring	Investor	10,000B	1
Keith Slininger	Investor	10,000B	1
Mary Dicke	Investor	10,000B	1
Justin Scalan	Investor	10,000B	1
Chris Eckes	Investor	10,000B	1
Scott Eckes	Investor	10,000B	1
Tim Riorden	Investor	10,000B	1
Mike Baloga	Investor	10,000B	1
Sam Kokesh	Investor	10,000B	1
Sandy Younger	Investor	10,000B	1
Tom/Katie Carruthers	Investor	40,000B	4

The applicants meet all minimum requirements including criminal background check.

# **MANAGER**

The manager at Northgate Brewing will be Adam Sjogren. Mr. Sjogren has not reported having any experience in retail or in the food and alcohol service industry.

### **POLICE REVIEW**

Police Licensing and this Inspector have reviewed the expenses and source of funds reported in this application. The applicant has provided documentation showing adequate legal and traceable funding for this venture and has passed the criminal background check.

## **PREMISES**

Northgate Brewing is located within a large grouping of commercial/warehouse/office type businesses. The entire brewery is at street level, in suite #122, and occupies about 780 total square feet. The licensed premises for off-sale consist of a 100 square feet retail display area for growlers located at the front of the brewery.

### **BUSINESS PLAN/OPERATIONS**

Northgate Brewing will have annual alcohol server training through Robert Pomplum and Loss Control Services, Inc. All managers, brewers, cellarmen and any other person who will sell growlers must attend this training. There will be a strict carding policy under which they will card everyone who appears to be 35 or under in age. Employees failing to card customers according to the policies and sells alcohol to anyone under 21 years of age will be suspended and/or terminated.

Northgate Brewing will enforce a no loitering policy. Access to the production facility will be strictly controlled and limited at all times. Doors will remain locked during non-public hours to prevent unauthorized access to the facility. A Northgate employee must escort guests at all times. Finished product will be stored in a cold room that will be locked when the facility is closed. Brewery tours will be by appointment only.

The property owner employs a closed circuit surveillance system as well as a security gate system with keypad entry for off-hours.

The manager, Adam Sjogren, will act as the neighborhood liaison and will be the contact person for any questions or complaints with regard to the production facility, or off-sale grower aspect of the operation. Employees will contact the police if there are any situations that need police assistance or for criminal activity. Obviously intoxicated persons will not be allowed on the premises.

Northgate Brewing will be open for growler sales Wednesday through Saturday from 12:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.

Litter will be removed on a daily basis within 100 feet of the premises.

Northgate will sponsor local soccer and softball teams whose members are all over the legal drinking age.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING SUMMARY**

A public hearing is required for this license application. 36 notices were mailed to residents and property owners within 600 feet of the premises and emailed to the Concerned Citizens of Marshall Terrace and the Northeast Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce on January 14, 2013. The public hearing will be held on January 28, 2013 at the Regulatory, Energy and Environment Committee meeting.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Licenses and Consumer Services Division recommends approving this application for an Off-Sale Malt Liquor Growler License.

#### LICENSE CONDITIONS

None at this time.